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SPRING, SUMMER, FALL CONFUSION

'232 lives lost in southern peninsular region'

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Karnataka had to deal with extreme weather events for 47 days in the first nine months of this year, an assessment of extreme weather events by Delhi-based Center for Science and Environment said.

These events claimed 37 human lives, damaged nearly 12,000 hectares of crop area, killed 252 animals and destroyed 11,917 houses in the state.

While eight days of heavy lightning and storms were recorded claiming six lives, 32 days of heavy rain, floods and landslides were recorded leading to the loss of 32 lives. The state registered four days each of heatwaves and cold waves.

The assessment highlighted that the number of extreme weather events in Karnataka was the third highest in the south peninsular region.

The south peninsular region, including Karnataka, Kerala, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Andaman & Nicobar islands, and Lakshadweep islands, recorded extreme weather events on 143 of the 273 days, which claimed 232 human lives, damaged 93,077.43 ha of crop area, 20,035 houses and killed 1,053 animals.

There was a slight decrease, however, from the 83 days recorded in the same period last year.

Experts said in the ensuing

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> — Jaya Dhindaw, World Resources Institute

Parks in RR Nagar need some tender loving care

Residents demand BBMP take measures to maintain public parks that are in pitiable condition

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Residents and environmentalists from RR Nagar have been complaining against the apathy of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) horticulture department toward maintaining parks in Bengaluru South.

They said there are more than 130 parks in RR Nagar and Yeshwantpur assembly constituencies but majority of them are craving for the immediate attention of the authorities concerned.

The residents, especially those from Bharath Nagar from Herohalli ward in RR Nagar assembly constituency, demand BBMP horticulture department authorities take measures for the maintenance of the parks that are in a bad condition in the area.

"We cleaned the park on Saturday. We collected nine bags of plastic from the park during the

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Art and deco

Get your hands on quality products at the sale-cum-echibition of arts and crafts materials, hosieries, and handloom items. Souz Market Arts and Crafts Convention brings handloom sarees, decorative articles that adorn gardens, kurtis, and exquisite jewellery made by artists from different parts of the country. **Where: Chitrakala Parishath When: until December 3**

02 Musical interest

Grab the chance to attend Arohan 23, a music concert for a cause. The event is being organised by Parampara music by Sangeeta Katti and features some of the talented artists.
Where: RV Dental College Auditorium, ITI Layout, JP Nagar first phase; When: December 2; 6 pm

03 Grand show

If you have been waiting for an extravaganza experience of music, then here's your chance to attend Magnetic Music Season 01 by ZLB23. The

event features a lineup of nine bands from around the world and a selection of some of the finest musicians in these genres.
Where: ZLB23, The Leela Palace, Old Airport Road When: December 5 to 15; 8 pm onwards

December excitement: Echoes of nature walks

Several engaging activities to take place in city's biggest parks, such as Cubbon Park and Lalbagh this month; events will be guided by environmental experts

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Venturing beyond the park's boundaries, a Heritage Trail on December 9 will guide participants through iconic spots, including the General Post Office, and more

In a bid to embrace the rich tapestry of nature and heritage, Cubbon Park is set to host a series of engaging activities throughout December. Heritage Beku has come forward to host these events, promising a blend of cultural appreciation and natural exploration.

On December 2, Cubbon Park will turn into a canvas for 'Blushing Bangalore,' an event led by Kavya Chandra, founder of A Green Venture.

Kavya said that walking through this unique space gives every person, even visitors, a true sense of belonging, of quiet time with nature, and allows time to stand still, much needed in this digital frenzy world.

"We will walk through the old trees of the park, identify, understand, and learn about these biological wonders, spot flowering species, and pick up fallen treasures. The trees that are blooming right now or close to the blush colour are: orange African tulip, yellow Nile tulip, mussaenda flower bush, and yellow oleander. Walkers will be able to see the luscious trees and learn about them. More than anything, we want the people to connect with the space and enjoy the park," she explained.

The following day, December 3, marks the Cubbon Library Walk, an exploration of the library's rich history. Highlighting the significance of trees and the heritage of gardens on December 7, the Lalbagh Walk will be curated by Suresh Jayaram, a visual artist. This immersive experience will delve into the diverse botanic cosmos of Lalbagh, intertwining it with Bengaluru's historical narrative.

Venturing beyond the park's boundaries, a Heritage Trail on December 9 will guide participants through iconic city spots, including the General Post Office, Museum of Communication, and the historic postbox at Taj West End. On December 10, the first-of-its-kind dog walk will be held. Prabha Dev, a member of Heritage Beku, said, "People can walk through the park and meet the many dogs dotted through the paths. There are so many stories of the parkies protecting people from miscreants—stories of dogs being lost for months and finding their way back—that still need to be told." Cubbon Park has emerged as more than just a green space; it has in fact become a place of cultural experiences, echoing stories of nature, history, and the endearing bond between humans and their four-legged companions.

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Climate emergency: How it affected Karnataka in 2023

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fallout of the climate crisis, the focus should be to minimise extreme weather impact through climate-proof infrastructure.

"To begin with, we must ensure the availability of adequate and relevant data on climate and environmental hazards along with spatial extents as one cannot manage what one can't measure. Based on this, vulnerability assessments should be conducted and action plans should be drawn accordingly. We must draw guidelines for addressing the impact of climate stress on all infrastructure. Moreover, stakeholders working across different infrastructure sectors, including healthcare, should be brought together on a platform," said Jaya Dhindaw, executive director, Sustainable Cities, World Resources Institute, India. Experts are of the view that improving awareness and capacities of public agencies to respond in case of extreme weather events can prove beneficial.

"In a city like Bengaluru, the focus should be to institutionalise the climate action cell recently proposed by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike under the Bengaluru Climate Action Plan and equip it with resources. Ward-level climate action plans embedding disaster management systems, protocols through citizen consultation and participation should be charted as well," added Dhindaw.

'Rich becoming richer': Priyank Kharge's take

Karnataka's IT and BT Minister Priyank Kharge on Thursday disagreed with Infosys co-founder NR Narayan Murthy's objections to the Congress government's guarantee schemes.

Interacting with reporters on the sidelines of Bengaluru Tech Summit, he said that one must see how many people have been pushed below poverty line and how the "rich are becoming richer and the poor are remaining poor".

"Narayan Murthy has given his personal opinion. He has done philanthropic work through the Infosys Foundation. Along with the service you are providing, you must also have civic responsibility.

"When you speak about civic rights, civic responsibilities and duties must also be discussed. That's how the government must provide the schemes and programmes to the people in the form of incentives," Kharge said. "With the guarantee schemes, the families are able to save Rs 1.20 lakh per year. They will spend it on providing nutritious food to children and they will also send them to tuition. We have to study how guarantee schemes have benefitted people," he added. **– IANS**

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BBMP's vision mission effectively resumes

BBMP resumes its spectacle distribution program, bringing clarity and renewed focus to students after a temporary pause

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After a delay of a few years, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) is set to distribute spectacles to BBMP schools. This year, nearly 3,000 students will benefit from this programme.

Under the National Programme for Control of Blindness (NPCB), the Karnataka Health Department allocated grants to the BBMP to distribute spectacles to school children. Accordingly, the BBMP is distributing spectacles to 3,100 children in different BBMP schools. The BBMP Health Department has called for a tender for the distribution of spectacles to school children after a halt of a few years due to COVID-19.

The NPCB was started in 1976 as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to counter the problems of blindness due to various factors and to reduce the prevalence of blindness to 0.3 per cent by 2020. The present prevalence rate of blindness is 1 per cent as per the National Survey 2006-07.

"We have been doing this for many years now. It was halted for a few years due to Covid-19, but now we have called for the tender again. The number of beneficiaries is dependent on the funds allocated by the Karnataka Health Department under the NPCB," said a senior BBMP official. According to a disability survey conducted in 2011, there are 13,24,205 individuals with disabilities in the state, of which 2,64,170 are visually impaired. Bengaluru has the highest visually impaired population among districts, with 83,910 individuals.

Child rights activists say that the program should be extended to rural schools as well. "Such efforts are necessary as many children are suffering from vision issues. However, the program should not be limited to the BBMP schools alone but should be extended to rural schools as well. Children are not able to focus on blackboards and have difficulties in reading books. This impacts their education itself.

> **"In addition to the distributing of spectacles, officials must also train the students on maintaining them properly** – Nagasimha G Rao, Director, Child Rights' Trust.

BBMP to restart school spectacle distribution

In addition to the distributing of spectacles, officials must also train the students on maintaining them properly. Among students, there is always a stigma around wearing spectacles, and they are prone to eve teasing. BBMP schools should create a positive image about using spectacles," said Nagasimha G Rao, Director, Child Rights' Trust.

He also added that the BBMP officials must organise eye and hearing camps at regular intervals to detect cases at an early age. "Unlike most disabilities, eye and hearing disabilities are not visible to the naked eye. Regular camps conducted at least six-month intervals could help diagnose these at early ages. Teachers can identify such students the easiest.

Whenever a teacher notices a student making recurrent mistakes, the school must take the student to an ophthalmologist and create awareness about the subject among parents," he said.

Frustration over KARC-2's maintenance proposal

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The recommendation of Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission-2 (KARC-2) to impose 25 per cent of the present guidance value of the site towards the maintenance charges on vacant sites has invited criticism from hapless people who own sites at layouts developed by the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA).

Ironically, the BDA insists, while sanctioning the layout plan to the land developers, to ensure no distribution or allotment of sites till all the amenities are in place. Still, it has failed miserably to provide basic amenities at the layouts developed by it. The BDA has yet to provide amenities at many of the layouts developed by it.

Rajajinagar MLA S Suresh Kumar, who was the part of Karnataka Legislative Assembly Petition Committee that visited to inspect the progress of developmental works at Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout last year, suggested the KARC-2 consider penalising the BDA for its failure in providing basic amenities at the layouts developed by it.

"The BDA must pay a penalty to the site owners for not providing basic amenities even after many years of formation of the layouts. The BDA should not collect property tax from the site owners till all the facilities are provided. The BDA has to announce rebates for those who construct their houses at the layouts. There should be a provision to penalise the contractors if they fail to complete the developmental works on time," Suresh Kumar said. Demanding that the KARC-2 recommend the state government to reform the BDA instead of recommending penalties on people who own vacant sites, Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout Open Forum spokesperson Surya Kiran said that the Supreme Court monitoring committee on Dr Shivaram Karanth Layout has shown how the BDA teams could be effective and productive if there is proper monitoring.

Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout depicts challenges, with incomplete amenities

"The BDA doesn't sell sites at subsidised prices, not even guidance values; they quote site prices higher than the market value. In the case of Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout, we got the site at 2k/sqft, which was even more than the market rate in 2016 in that area. In this competitive world, private developers offering more value adds to our money, a peaceful life with all the infrastructure in place, but by purchasing BDA sites we get mental stress, financial burdens and mental agony," said Surya Kiran.

He also said that the BDA allots sites under a 10-year lease-cum-sale deed and a 5-year construction clause to ensure houses come up within the stipulated time to make layout formation a success. "However none of the site allottees are benefited even after the 8th year of allotment of sites," he added. Furthermore, he said that allottees have paid Rs 12 lakh for 20/30, Rs 24 lakh for 30/40, Rs 53 lakh for 40/60, and Rs 96 lakh for 50/80 by availing loans from banks.

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Kalasipalya

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Road Craters

HSR Layout

Potholes are a prevalent issue along HSR Layout's 19th Main Road, particularly close to the Indian Coffee House in Sector 2.

Trash pile up

Horamavu

Garbage has accumulated on Horamavu Main Road, approximately 100 metres from Vishnu Vaibhav restaurant and Canara Bank, near the BBMP office along this stretch.

Mobility card: Metro on it, but BMTC yet to get on board

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Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (BMRCL) MD Anjum Parwez said the National Common Mobility Card or the one passenger one card will be a reality soon, but BMTC's plans to integrate with NCMC is still stuck in the discussion stage.

Speaking at the Bengaluru Tech Summit, Anjum Parwez said that soon, passengers depending on different public transport like metro trains, cabs and buses can travel using a single smart card. He stated that the Union Government has planned to introduce a single smart card for passengers travelling in different public transports.

Anjum Parwez told BM that BMTC has been adding more and more feeder buses. "Buses in Bengaluru need to complement metro routes. BMTC needs to reformulate the route and improve route mapping to service more metro stations. This will allow for seamless travel connectivity."

BMRCL launched the National Mobility Cards in August. To encourage its usage, BMRCL has been trying to limit the usage of smart cards. However, to allow complete seamless travel interoperability, BMTC would also have to be able to establish the required hardware to allow the usage of NCMCs. BMTC officials say that the proposal to integrate the system is still in the discussion stage. "The proposal to integrate with the NCMC is still in the discussion stage. As of now, we haven't called any tender in this regard," said a senior BMTC official.

BM win win situation

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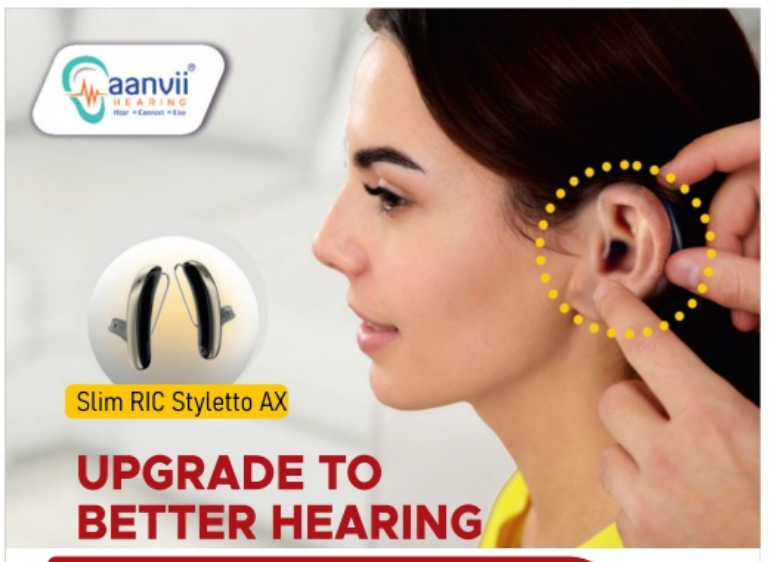

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Udder chaos: Cattle owners decry relocation

Veterinary hospital shift prompts concerns for animal care, puts local livelihoods in jeopardy

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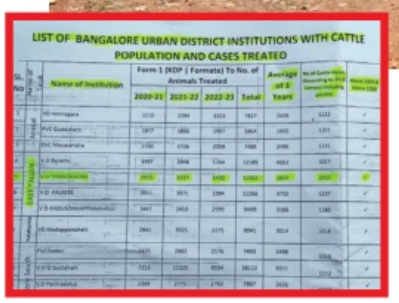
The proposed relocation of the Government Veterinary Hospital from Thanisandra to Soladevanahalli has raised concerns among cattle owners, dairy farmers, and animal activists in Bengaluru. The move, initiated by the Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences Department, is facing opposition from the local cattle community, emphasising the hospital's crucial role in treating animals and supporting the livelihoods of dairy farmers.

Veterinary hospitals are a boon for dairy farmers and milkmaids residing at newly added wards to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) as these areas are known for dairy farmers and milkmaids who depend on rearing cows and buffaloes for livelihood.

It is the responsibility of the Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences Department to open and maintain veterinary hospitals or clinics for the welfare of cows and buffaloes. But it seems that the Under Secretary of Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department is least bothered about the fate of hundreds of cows, buffaloes and goats and those people who depend on them for their livelihood by issuing an order to shift the Veterinary Hospital from Thanisandra to Soladevanahalli where Sandalwood actress Leelavathi and her son Vinod Raj constructed a building for a veterinary hospital.

The cattle owners want the authorities to reconsider the decision to shift the Govt Veterinary Hospital.

As per the survey conducted by the Animal Husbandry Department, there are 820 cows, 18 buffaloes, 1,560 sheep, and 1,385 goats that have been availing treatment at the Government Veterinary Hospital. It treated 3,854 animals in three years from 2020-21 to 2022-23.


LIST OF BANGALORE URBAN DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS WITH CATTLE POPULATION AND CASES TREATED

Animal activists and cattle owners dismayed by decision to relocate hospital

> **Many people who own cows and buffaloes supply milk to the MCS. More than 600 litres of milk is being supplied to the Milk Cooperative Society per day**
>
> –Raju N, a resident of Thanisandra

"Many people who own cows and buffaloes supply milk to the Milk Cooperative Society. More than 600 litres of milk is being supplied to the Milk Cooperative Society per day. I own 21 cows while my neighbour owns around 20 cows. We do not know any other profession than supplying milk to the Milk Cooperative Society," said Raju N, a resident of Thanisandra.

Expressing a similar opinion, Venkatesh N, President, Milk Cooperative Society (MCS), said that the MCS has 40 members who supply milk. "I have appealed to the elected representatives and local leaders to retain the Government Veterinary Hospital for the benefit of dairy farmers who depend on this hospital for treating their cows and buffaloes. Residents also buy 200 to 300 litres of milk from the milk dairy every day," said Venkatesh.

He said the dairy farmers have to take their cattle to the Government Veterinary Hospital situated at Narayanapura if the one at Thanisandra is shut down. "Taking cattle on busy roads is not an easy task for dairy farmers. We can't afford to engage private veterinary doctors as they not only charge exorbitant amounts but also are not punctual," Venkatesh said.

Animal activists have expressed shock and disappointment with the decision to shift the Government Veterinary Hospital to Soladevanahalli. "It is the responsibility of the Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences Department to recruit veterinary doctors and other staff for the veterinary hospital at Soladevanahalli. I oppose shifting the veterinary doctors and staff working at the Government Veterinary Hospital situated at Thanisandra," said Arun Prasad, an animal activist.

Stating that closing down government veterinary hospitals in Bengaluru can have significant repercussions in terms of accessibility to healthcare services and care available to animals, Sujaya Jagadish, a member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), said that stray animals, pets from financially constrained families and genuine rescuers might struggle to receive medical attention, leading to increased suffering and unattended illnesses. It could also burden private veterinary clinics, thereby raising costs for those seeking veterinary care.

"First and foremost the Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services (AHVS) Department must make the ambulances functional and work at its optimal efficiency. Also currently the existing government hospitals function from 9 am to 5 pm, and there is no one to attend to cases of emergencies. AHVS cannot shake off its responsibilities. Closing the hospital at Thanisandra will compromise services for animals and add to the rising cases in," she said.

Dire state of public commons in RR nagar

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cleaning drive. We found no bins in the park for depositing waste or garbage. There is no one to maintain the park - known as Panchamukhi Ganapathi Temple Park," said Shobha Bhat of Usire Foundation. Bhat said the name board has contact numbers of the people concerned but no one responds when someone attempts to contact them. "We appeal to the authorities concerned to fix the problems at the parks at the earliest. I want the BBMP horticulture department to select the right contractors for the maintenance of parks," she noted.

Expressing concern over the poor condition of parks, Soni Sharma, a resident, said that one can find a lot of garbage in the park. "We are clearing garbage whenever it is possible. We have been appealing to the BMBP horticulture department to maintain the parks properly. I have formed a WhatsApp group. I found many people complaining about the bad condition of parks in the area," said Sharma.

Lokesh D, a student of Bharath Nagar who is preparing for a competitive examination, told BM that he visits the park to prepare for the exam as the place is calm. "There is no cleanliness at the park. There are a lot of mosquitoes. I want the BBMP to take measures to maintain the park properly for the benefit of residents who visit the park," said Lokesh.

Meanwhile, BBMP horticulture superintendent (south) Shankar said he assumed office recently. "I have been receiving complaints about the poor condition of the parks under my jurisdiction. I have already directed my subordinates to attend to the problems at these parks. I am making arrangements to float tenders for inviting contractors to maintain the parks in Bengaluru South. I hope all the problems will be fixed as soon as the contractors or agencies are selected for the maintenance," he said.

The BBMP horticulture department is known for inviting tenders at times to install play equipment for children, and replacement paver blocks on the walking paths in the parks even though walking paths are in good condition. There are some parks, as BM has reported, where play equipment becomes inaccessible for two to three days whenever it rains due to the poor maintenance.

Running past HIV barriers

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World AIDS Day, celebrated every December 1, draws attention to HIV/AIDS worldwide. In Karnataka, more than 3,000 children inspire others by embracing a positive approach to HIV. They actively participate in marathons globally, thanks to the Bangalore School Sports Foundation. Initially 19 in number, these young runners now make Karnataka the only state where HIV-positive children participate in marathons worldwide, using sports to improve their lives.

HIV/AIDS constitutes one of the most formidable challenges to development and social progress. The epidemic exacerbates inequality, and poverty, and imposes an increasing burden on the most vulnerable people in society. The Bangalore School Sports Foundation, established in 2009, helps bridge this gap and supports progressive development by creating active, value-based sports and recreational programs, as well as mobilising resources for children.

Karnataka's HIV-positive youth conquer global marathons

Elvis Joseph, Founder and director of the Bangalore Schools Sports Foundation, running the Project Champion In Me - Sports for children and youth living with HIV, said, 'About one-third of children with HIV are over 17 years of age, many of whom long to be involved in sports as spectators or participants. They need to have access and the right to play. Playing sports has found positive impacts on children and youth living with HIV, such as physical health benefits, behavioural impact, breaking stereotypes, advocacy and awareness, and reduced isolation. Today, children from Karnataka living with HIV are participating in marathons worldwide. This is the only state in the country where HIV-positive children are taking part in marathons globally. In 2009, we had 19 children with HIV who were part of the Champion in Me program, but now 3,000 children have been empowering their lives through sports as a medium for transformation."

The children have participated in and competed at various marathons internationally, such as the Boston Marathon, Bangkok International Marathon, Columbia International Marathon, Nelson Mandela Marathon in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, and many others across different states in India and other countries worldwide.

Success stories

Born HIV-positive, these children face numerous challenges from a young age. However, their unwavering spirit and passion for sports became a guiding light through the darkest of times. Despite the initial doubts and uncertainties surrounding their health, they started engaging in physical activities, gradually building their stamina and strength. Each passing day saw them diligently trained, honing their skills, and focusing not only on excelling but also on improving their health.

Manik Prabhus, a Bengaluru resident, excelled at the International Children's Games in 2015, breaking barriers of stigma. He continued to shine in marathons globally, fostering dreams of representing India and gaining recognition from the United Nations. Similarly, Ashwini, fuelled by a passion for running, made history as the first HIV-positive woman to compete in the Jerusalem Marathon.

For railways work, 176 trees to fall off-track

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To take up quadrupling work between Bengaluru Cantonment and Whitefield, the South Western Railway (SWR) is planning to axe 176 trees. The upside, according to SWR, is improved connectivity.

In a public notification, the BBMP Forest Department stated that 176 trees will be axed for the quadrupling of lines. The trees are standing along the track from Bangalore Cantonment Railways station to Whitefield Railways Station.

After a joint inspection by SWR and RFO on October 9, the 176 trees were identified and the Gati Shakti division of the SBC division made a request to the DCF-Tree officer to permit the axing.

SWR officials say that the project is needed to augment the capacity of the railway network in the area as the existing network is completely saturated. The entire project is expected to be 38-km long. Work is being carried out between Bengaluru Cantonment to Baiyappanahalli (13.20km) and 24.69 km between Baiyappanahalli to Whitefield. As of now, 35 per cent of the work is completed.

File photo of several trees cut near Cantonment station

Quadrupling of lines a must to raise capacity as network is saturated: Officials

The project has been estimated to cost SWR Rs 492.87 crore and is being funded by railways 100 per cent. Both sets of lines are expected to be completed in 2024. The stretch between Bengaluru Cantonment and Baiyappanahalli will be completed by June 2024 and the stretch between Baiyappanhalli to Whitefield will be completed by December 2024.

As part of the project work such earth work in embankment and widening of cutting, extension of existing RUBs/LCs, construction of minor bridges, side drains, toe walls/ retaining wall, LC road approaches and other connected works between Krishnarajapuram- Whitefield stations will be carried out.

As far as airports go, would 3 be a crowd?

As minister indicates govt is thinking of having an additional airport for Bengaluru, we discuss the aspects associated with this plan

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The State Government is now thinking of making an additional airport for Bengaluru. Recently,Minister for Large, Medium and Industries and Infrastructure MB PatilMB Patil had indicated that the government is considering a second airport between Tumakuru and Chitradurga. This has raised a question: Bengaluru already boasts two airports, Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) and HAL, so many wonder why not just revive HAL airport instead of making a third one.

Sources indicate that land has not been identified yet, but if it is less than 150 km from KIA, then the construction of the airport can start only after 2033. This is because when the Ministry of Civil Aviation and BIAL signed on the dotted line in 2004, it was agreed that "no new or existing airport (except for Mysore and Hassan airports) shall be permitted by GoI to be developed as, or improved or upgraded into, a domestic airport within an aerial distance of 150 km of the airport before the 25th anniversary of the airport opening date." KIA started operations in May 2008.

This apart, the KIA is already undergoing expansion. While, the first phase of the second terminal T2 has been operationalised, in the near future, T2 will also undergo expansion. "We are currently in the process of preparing a master plan to decide on the future expansion of KIA. The master plan will determine where the T3 terminal needs to be constructed. In all likelihood, the T3 may be constructed only around 2030. It is estimated that KIA will reach saturation in growth by 2030 if the number of flyers touches 100 million," said th esource

One of the installations at the T2 terminal

Art of the matter at T2 terminal

The T2 terminal, already known for its unique design, has become a canvas for various art forms. In a conversation with Mirror, a BIAL official said, "Creating art for an airport posed a challenge, as airport art differs from traditional gallery art. Currently, we have curated six art forms by 43 artists, strategically placed at 13 vantage locations.

The theme chosen is Navarasa, reflecting the myriad moods of travelers passing through the airport. The art at T2 is centered around two themes: Karnataka's rich heritage and culture, and Bharata Natyashastra's Navarasa, representing the nine emotions."

Passengers will now also have the chance to discover the diverse art forms showcased. An official said, "We are providing guided tours through registration for the airport walkthrough, available from December 1 to 10, between 10:30 am and 12 pm. This unique experience is exclusively for registered flyers. For those who have registered, detailed information about the artists and the narratives behind each art form can be found on our website. Each piece unfolds a unique story." Shedding light on one of the installations, V+mana, the official said the artwork is designed to invites travellers to immerse themselves in the concept of adbhuta rasa (surprise/wonder). "V+mana features a gopura, intricately carved in bronze, resembling a modern-day rocket launcher leaning against a traditional and detailed gopura," said the official.

> "The growth of the city is so much that there is thick urban growth in and around HAL, leaving very little scope for improvement
>
> –Official

Although there are plans to construct T3, there could be no way another runway could be constructed as the land is not available. The government has stated that it cannot part with any land near Devanahalli.

"Currently, we cannot move south of the existing airport beyond our boundary by land acquisition as we may encroach into the airspace of the Indian Air Force Yelahanka, and in the north, there are many limitations due to numerous developments. This means that although we can construct the T3 terminal, there is no way another runway can be made. According to the existing guidelines, KIA can have three terminals but only two runways. Hence, the government might be planning to have one more airport," he said.

About HAL airport, an official said that it is currently being used for defense purposes. "Even VVIPs like the PM or others land at HAL airport. Many private chartered flights also take off from HAL. However, HAL has its own constraints. The growth of the city is so much that there is thick urban growth in and around HAL, leaving very little scope for improvement. The runway also needs to be expanded, and no land is available nearby so another runway cannot be constructed," said the official.

A BIAL source said they had earlier held discussions with the authorities for HAL airport to find viable alternatives. However, it didn't work out.

Robbery & murder: 8 arrested

Eight persons have been taken into custody by police in relation to the suspected robbery and murder of a person from Nepal.

T Chandru, Jeevan, Karthik, Kiran Kumar, Madan, Munesh, Nikhil and Sachin have been identified as the accused.

As the man Bohra and his friend were waiting for a taxi on Tumkur Road on November 13, the accused showed up with two motorcycles and a goods car, and demanded money from Bohra.

The accused beat Bohra in the head with a wooden log and left the scene with Rs 5,200 and a phone when Bohra refused to pay them money.

After being taken to a hospital right after, the victim succumbed to his wounds.

Two suspects are still evading capture. Authorities have seized Rs 5,200 in cash, one vehicle, and seven cell phones from the arrested accused.

Branded counterfeit

CCB police have raided shops in the city that were selling clothes by putting fake labels of global brands.

Garment factories near Bommanahalli and KR market were employing several people to manufacture fake branded clothes. Fake clothes of various reputed brands including Armani, Allen Solly, Burberry were being manufactured in the unit.

The officers of CCB came to know about this and launched a raid. A case has been registered against Bharat Kumar and Radha, who were running the counterfeit business.

During the raid, the CCB police seized items worth more than Rs one crore.

During the CCB raid near KR Market, fake foreign cigarettes worth lakhs of rupees were also found in a secret chamber.

These fake brand cigarettes were supplied to various shops in the city. A case was registered against Lalit in the City Market Police Station in connection with the incident.

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Fashionable actor

Shravya Rao, the daughter of director-cum-actor Om Prakash Rao and veteran character actress Rekha Das, is excited about Mayanagari, in which she plays the female lead. "I got the opportunity to play the lead in the movie when I was doing my PU. Its title was Nagarakatte but the director later changed its name to Mayanagari. I also worked as a costume designer for a song sequence," said Sharvya.

Shravya said it was her dress sense that caught the director's eye. "I used to attend the shooting of the movie well-dressed. Impressed by my instinct for selecting good clothes, the director asked me to design costumes for a song sequence. I conceptualised five types of garments for the song,'" she said. Shravya plays a girl from a village in the film. She said she has pinned hopes on Mayanagari, though as of now, she is busy with modelling.

Teaser out

The teaser of Raj Vardhan-starrer Hiranya was launched at Chamundeshwari Studios on Wednesday. Lahari Velu was the chief guest at the function. Praveen Avyukta, who used to make short movies, debuts as a full-fledged director in Sandalwood with Hiranya – The Hit Man. On the occasion, Lahari Velu said Hiranya will become a huge success.

Thanking the producers for giving an opportunity to direct the movie, director Praveen Avyukta said that Hiranya is his first big-budget movie as a director. "I have to thank hero Raj Vardhan for agreeing to act in this movie. I will never forget his cooperation during the shoot. He didn't use a stunt double for action scenes," Praveen said.

Raj Vardhan said that he was in a dilemma whether to take up this role or not. "I want to thank the stunt master for guiding me while acting in action scenes," said Raj Vardhan.

Better half, best half

Katrina is all praise for hubby Vicky's performance

Actor Katrina Kaif on Thursday heaped praise on her husband Vicky Kaushal for his performance in the biopic drama film 'Sam Bahadur'.

Taking to Instagram, Katrina shared a poster of the film which she captioned, "SAM BAHADUR -@meghnagulzar such a poetic beautiful classic film , was transported to another era .. you can see your passion to telling his story and attention to detail in every shot."

"And SAM !!!!..... GRACE, HEROISM , GRIT .What a performance, flawless, I'm just astounded , you are too inspiring , true to your craft in the most brilliant integral way , was so proud to watch you shine your way across the screen . I've seen you this last year pour yourself into this film and transform into sam. A performance to be remembered @vickykaushal09," she added.

On Wednesday night, Vicky's family including his wife Katrina Kaif, brother Sunny Kushal, father Sham Kaushal and his mother Veena Kaushal arrived at the film's special screening in Mumbai.

Sam Bahadur is based on the life of India's first Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw. His career in the army spanned over four decades and five wars. He was the first Indian Army officer to be promoted to the rank of Field Marshal and he led the victory in the 1971 Indo-Pak war, which led to the creation of Bangladesh.

—ETimes

Ready for Christmas

Actress Jennifer Garner is having a festive start to the holiday season. The actress, 51, was spotted wearing a sleeveless red minidress at the Los Angeles premiere of 'Family Switch'.

The asymmetrical dress included a high neckline and layered bottom. Garner paired the look with black open-toe heels and large dangle earrings, reports People magazine.

The Christmas comedy is set to make its way to the platform on Thursday, and the '13 Going on 30' star serves as a producer, along with starring in the role of Jess Walker. Jess and her husband Bill, played by Ed Helms, and the other family members find themselves involved in a supernatural body swap.

As per People, director Joseph McGinty Nichol previously opened up about what makes the film different from other body-swap comedies.

"It just adds a twist, and it's a hook and a way into a movie that's about empathy and walking a mile in each other's shoes. But just the six-way switch, I think, sets us apart because there's just more fun to be having," he told 'People'. He also shared that the holiday movie also has a valuable lesson for all audiences."

"You can listen and not take it to heart, but to understand, you have to go into consideration and thought, and go over what you listened to. Once you understand where the person you're talking to is coming from — be it your mom, your kid, your dog or your baby — then maybe you can hope to be understood," McG shared.

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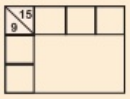
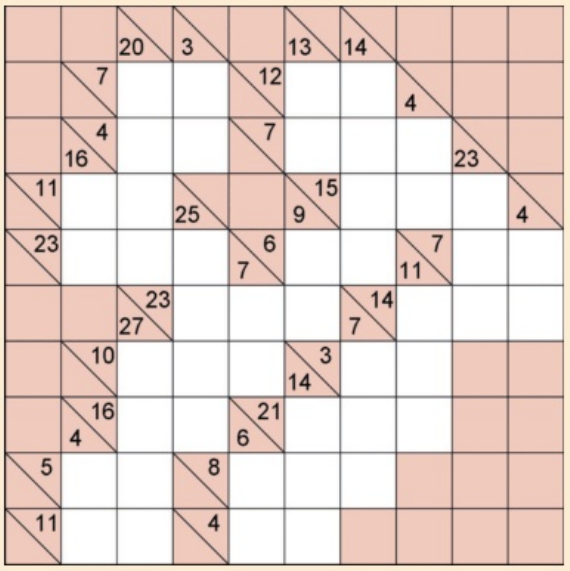
The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas



for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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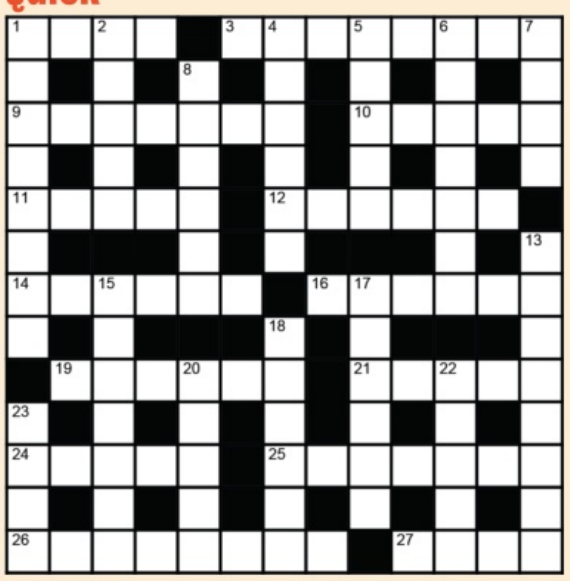

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1 Luxuriant in growth (4)
3 50 kms from Bangalore, this area is a favourite for rock climbers (8)
9 Pale and sickly looking (7)
10 A quarrel or a spat (3,2)
11 Terra ___ : dry land, mother earth ? (5)
12 Asterix's best friend (6)
14 Peculiar aspect (6)
16 Thin coating (6)
19 Exertion or attempt (6)
21 Records (5)
24 Prickly plants (5)
25 An old piece of furniture (7)
26 Coronating (8)
27 Superlatively good (4)

DOWN

1 Vaulting game (8)
2 Flight of steps (5)
4 Fix firmly (6)
5 Scandinavian? (5)
6 Authentic (7)
7 Circular band (4)
8 Effect, brunt or thrust? (6)
13 Moon shape (8)
15 Actual, in reality (2,5)
17 Landed property (6)
18 Achieve (6)
20 The archer in the sky? (5)
22 Chagrin (5)
23 Current types (2-2)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

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You will still be beautiful when you are much older

Mindchow

When you light a lamp for somebody, it also brightens your path

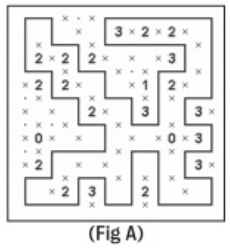
Joke of the day

Ever read a book that changed your life? Me neither

Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



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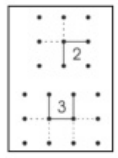
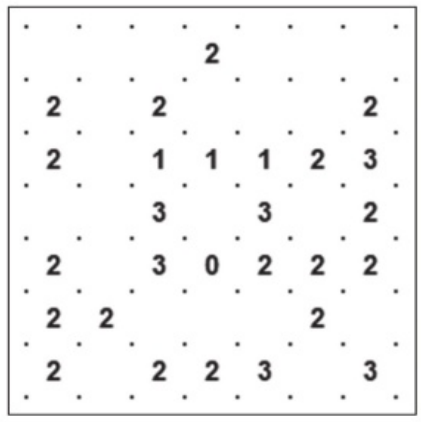


(Fig B) Not Allowed

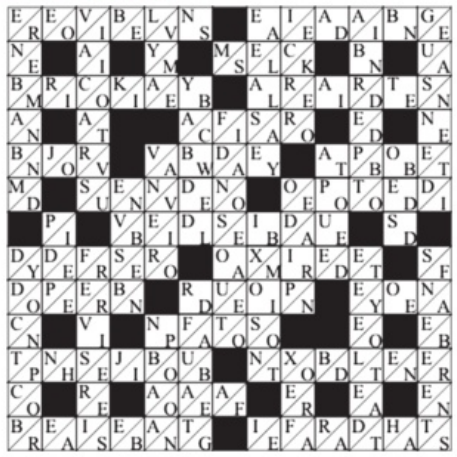
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



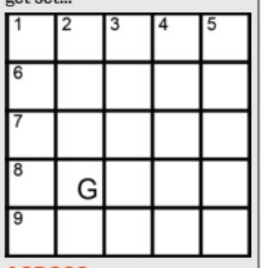
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

1 Ah pal; 6 Apres; 7 Sapor; 8 A Argo; 9 Fly to

DOWN

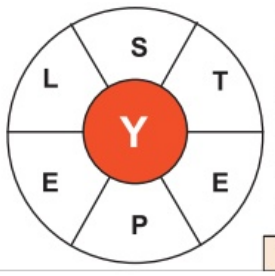
1 Papal; 2 Or gal; 3 Op for; 4 Earth; 5 Says a

Mensapuzzle

What number should replace the question mark?

742 (8710) 138
395 (12167) 972
819 (?) 356

Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

04 Average; 05 Good; 07 Outstanding

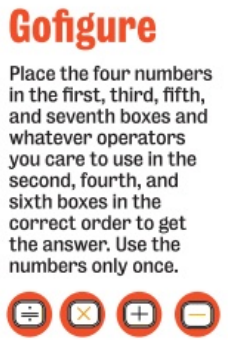
SudokuChallenge

2			6		5			4
			1		3			
	1	8				3	2	
		4	5		6	9		
	9			3			5	
		3	4		9	8		
	7	9				2	8	
			9		7			
1			8		2			9

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

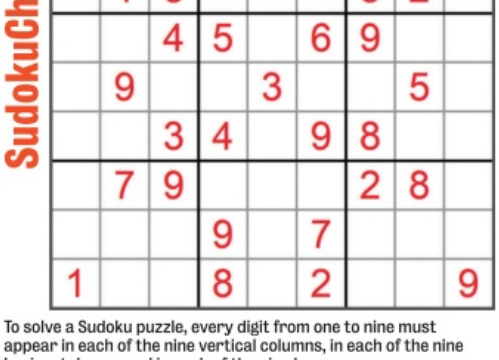
Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Hocusfocus

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Picture frame is missing. 2. Paper on floor is moved. 3. Plant is moved. 4. Hair is longer. 5. Middle drawer is larger. 6. Finger is moved.

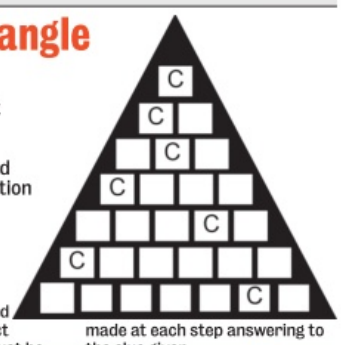
Riddler

In this teaser your task is to discover words, names and phrases relating to the holiday season. You are to delete a few letters in each unrelated phrase in order to show the answer. The remaining letters will be in the right order.

1. NOW READ THIS (delete 5 letters)
2. GNATS LIVE IN STY (delete 6 letters)
3. SILLY DENT IN FLIGHT (delete 6 letters)
4. AMID STALE TOKENS (delete 6 letters)

Alpha triangle

1 Vitamin type
2 Calcium symbol
3 Crackerjack pilot
4 Concern
5 Hint
6 Hole in the ground
7 Change the direction of a light wave



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

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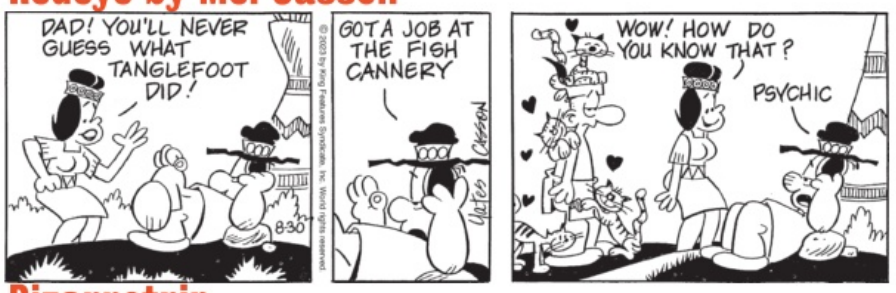


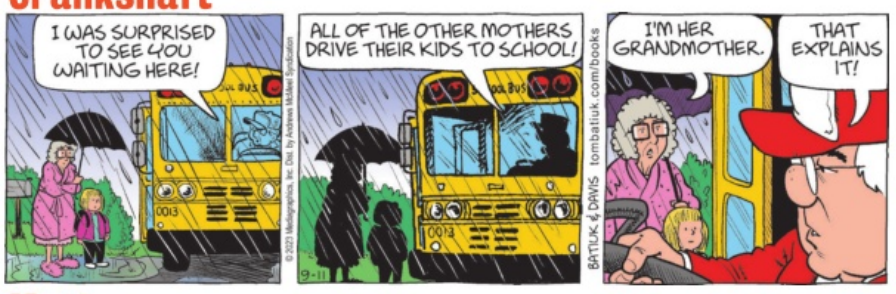
Bizarrotrip

Diamond Lil

Hart of the city

I DIDN'T INHERIT THE COMPETITIVENESS THAT MY MOM HAS. BEST OF LUCK TO BOTH TEAMS.
YEAH! NO MATTER WHO WINS, WE GET A NEW LUNCHROOM!
BUT MY MOM IS GOING TO WIN.

Crankshaft


I WAS SURPRISED TO SEE YOU WAITING HERE!
ALL OF THE OTHER MOTHERS DRIVE THEIR KIDS TO SCHOOL!
I'M HER GRANDMOTHER.
THAT EXPLAINS IT!

Mutts

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today your destiny may be with you. You can manage things easily, it may boost your confidence. You may plan to visit some spiritual place. You are likely to donate some amount to a religious activity or to some charity. You may expect a short business trip. Blessings from elders may give peace of mind. Love birds may get some help from family members in terms of marriage.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today you may feel dull and may have some small health related issues, which may affect your daily routines. You may explore and analyse yourself to figure out your negativities. You may feel alone while sitting in a crowd also. Your focus may be lost. In the late evening, with the help of elders, you may overcome this messy situation.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today you may get some business orders which may be profitable in the near future. You may implement some new ideas on your work front. New partnerships may come into play. You may be busy with your work, which may make you mentally tired. It affects your domestic life.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today, you perform well at your job. Your colleagues may cooperate with you and your performance in the job may be good. You may be able to complete your projects that were postponed on time. You may lend money for investment purposes. Job seekers may get new jobs. Positive news is likely for those affected by old health issues.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today situations are ok, people around you may now respond well to you. But you are advised not to take a life as a burden. You should try to sustain yourself in unavoidable situations. You may face some difficulties to get easy gains. Somehow blessings from elders may help you to come out from this situation. Your confusions in choosing targets may now be over.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today, tasks remain incomplete. You may be a victim of mood swings and your patience may be tested many times. Silly mistakes confuse you and prevent you from concluding your work. Love birds find themselves to be confused in terms of feelings. More expectations may affect your emotional attachment with the spouse. You are advised to take care of your parents. Students may lose their concentration.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today with the help of your subordinate staff, you may be able to complete postponed projects. Your network may be boosted now, which may help you in your work or social life. You may plan to go on an outing with friends or siblings. Some disputes with neighbours may be resolved now. Students are advised to overcome laziness and carelessness.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today you may spend money for your family issues. It may affect your financial health. You are advised to avoid spending money on worthless things. You are also advised to think twice before acting. It is advised to control your straightforwardness to maintain harmony in your domestic and professional life.

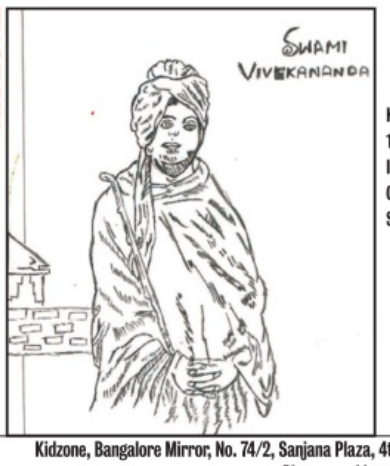
Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today is a good day for you. You may have a positive feeling after hearing some good news from siblings. Job seekers may get good jobs. Spiritual energy may help you make the right decision. Your focus towards your goal will be clear now. Students may have good focus in their studies.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you feel dull, you may not feel healthy. You are likely to find yourself standing at a crossroads. It is advised to follow your intuition before making some important decisions. It is advised to drive safely and avoid adventure tourism. You may criticise yourself, you may find it difficult to take some important decisions, which may be a reason for your lack of self confidence in you. It may affect your social image.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today is important in terms of gains. you may get results with less effort. Your losses may be converted into profits with the help of your intelligence. You may plan to get into some academics. You may donate some amount to a religious place or charity. You may also help some needy person. Some investment into intellectual assets may be possible. Students may perform well.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today your performance may be very good in terms of profession. You may have full support of your boss or senior and you are likely to get new opportunities. You may expect to get a new job also. Job seekers may find suitable jobs. Singles will find their love at their work place.

KIDZONE



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SOLVE IN 1M
((-9)÷(5÷4))*(-5)+(-7)-7=
((-9)÷(9))*(-5)+(-7)-7=
(-9*7/9)*(-5)+(-7)-7=
(-9/9)*(-5)+(-7)-7=
(-1)*(-5)+(-14)=
(5)+(-14)=
5 - 14 = - 9

QUOTE UNCODE
Faith is the heroism of the intellect.

FAST FIVE

A	L	P	H	A
P	A	R	E	S
P	R	O	A	S
A	G	O	R	A
L	O	F	T	Y

BULL'S EYE
espy, sleepy, steely, STEEPLY, style, type, yelp

STRIKE OUT

R	E	V	E	L	S		A	I	D	I	N	G		
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O		R		O	A	F		R		E				
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QUICK

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MENSA PUZZLE
1. "W REA" TH" =
2. "NAT" 'IV' I' 'TY =
nativity,
3. SIL" 'ENT N "IGHT" =
silent night,
4. "MI' ST"LE TO'E" =
mistletoe

RIDDLER
1615: 8 + 3 = 11; 1 + 5 = 6; 9 + 6 = 15

SUDOKU

2	3	7	6	8	5	1	9	4
9	4	6	1	2	3	5	7	8
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8	2	4	5	7	6	9	1	3
6	9	1	2	3	8	4	5	7
7	5	3	4	1	9	8	6	2
4	7	9	3	6	1	2	8	5
3	8	2	9	5	7	6	4	1
1	6	5	8	4	2	7	3	9

ALPHA TRIANGLE
C, Ca, Ace, Care, Trace, Crater, Refract.

GO FIGURE
Easy
6 + 4 + 1 − 1 = 10
Medium
2 + 8 + 5 + 1 = 16
Hard
4 x 6 / 3 + 8 = 16

LOOP

KAKURO

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